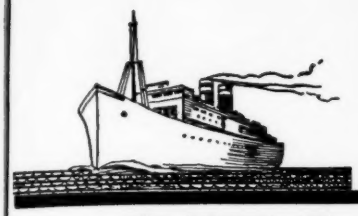

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1939

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No.		
201	Printing	Now ready
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203 to 210	set of eight envelopes, four State seals and four state maps with pictorial designs. (Sold only in sets of eight)	Now ready

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216 to 220	Authors	Set of 5
221 to 225	Composers	Set of 5
226 to 230	Educators	Set of 5
231 to 235	Inventors	Set of 5
236 to 240	Poets	Set of 5
241 to 245	Scientists	Set of 5

Pictorial Envelopes for Coming New Stamps

The Post Office Department has already announced that the

Printing Anniversary Stamp will be issued First Day From New York City on September 25th

The new stamp for the four western states will doubtless be issued in November but at this time the date and city of issue has not been announced. It would be only natural that the stamp will be issued in each state on the first day, so that means four covers. To have your collection complete you will doubtless want a cover from each state capital on the date on which each particular state was admitted to Statehood. These dates are, N. Dak.—Nov. 2; S. Dak.—Nov. 3; Montana— Nov. 8; and Washington —Nov. 11. Linprint offers a beautiful set of eight different envelopes, two beauties for each state as well as one handsome design suitable in any state.

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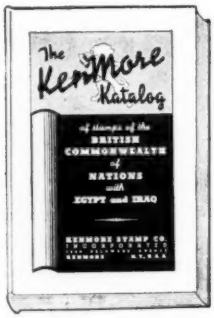

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The New KenMore Katalog

THE NEW 1940 edition of The KenMore Katalog is now in the hands of the KenMore Stamp Company and doubtless many copies have already been mailed to those who had placed advance orders.

The production of a catalogue of this nature has been a tremendous job, both for the KenMore Stamp Company and for Linprint, who have handled the printing of the book.

The increased size this year, by almost 100 pages, was caused mostly by the addition of hundreds of new pictures of stamps and illustrations of more of the surcharges. Some of these of the later stamps were actually rushed through and added at the last minute, during the course of production.

Early in July, Mr. Linn made a trip to Kenmore, where a consultation was held to iron out the details and arrive at an understanding as to general style, binding and other points with regard to the catalogue.

Even at this date, Clara Beilman, the able editor of the catalogue had already spent several weeks work on the preparation of copy. This however had to be reviewed and revised as to prices at the last minute before being sent to the printer and even then, some changes in catalog prices were made in the final proofs and altered just before going to press, so that the entire catalogue is as near up to date as it is possible to make it.

After the trip to Kenmore, there was much that had to be done before copy was ready to come to Columbus and after that date the specialized writeup of Great Britain as well as Canada and Newfoundland had to be completed. It was early in August that the real start toward production began and by the 10th of the month everything was moving along smoothly and in a systematic manner.

The catalog this year consists of 384 pages. This was worked through in groups of 16 pages and so fast as 16 pages were set in linotype and made up and proofed, the proofs with copy were rushed to Kenmore for their final revision. As these proofs came back, corrections were made, new proofs taken, scanned for further correction, finally okehed and put on the press for printing.

This process has been going on ever since, until the final forms came off the press on Tuesday, September 5.

In all, there were 24 of these 16 page forms which as they came from the press were run through the automatic folding machine and then stacked in large bins awaiting completion of the final forms.

On Wednesday morning, September 7, the bindery girls started gathering these 24 different printed sections and as I write this, this work is still in progress and will be completed in the coming week. A quantity of the catalogs however were rushed to the bookbinders for cloth binding and these will be a bit later in appearing than are the plastic bound catalogs. A quantity of the catalogs for plastic binding have already been completed and shipped to Kenmore, the early part of this present week of September 11th, so that we can feel proud that we did get a portion of the books ready for delivery on the previously announced date of publication. As this article is read by you, all of these plastic bound books will have reached Kenmore, and our task will have been completed.

The cover for the catalog this year is a handsome red, a heavy double thick piece of antique finish cover stock beautifully printed in blue and black and with the blue plastic backbone of the catalog, the book will make a handsome appearance. Inside the cover, both front and back is a red fly leaf which adds to the attractiveness of the volume.

Mr. Jarvis, can well feel proud of his accomplishment with this new catalogue. It has been a tremendous undertaking and ac ostly one. Collectors who are interested in the stamps which are embraced in this catalogue owe him a debt of gratitude which can best be repaid by the acquisition of a copy of the book. The book is offered both as a catalogue of the stamps and a price list of the stamps. The prices in this catalogue are represented to be as near the actual true value of the stamps listed as can be found in any catalogue. The prices in the catalogue are represented to be the actual net cash prices at which the stamps can be purchased from the KenMore Stamp Company and collectors are aware of the fact that this is true and that this catalogue is a true guide to values on British Colonial stamps.

The plastic bound book sells at 50c and the cloth bound book at $1.00, either being postpaid. All purchasers of the catalogue are placed on the mailing list of the KenMore Stamp Company and receive each month their 16 page KenMore Kollector which is full of information, new and offers of British Colonial stamps.

The new plastic bound catalogue might be called a "One Armed Man's Catalog." It opens easily at any point, lays perfectly flat and the pages do not flop. It is probably the most convenient and desirable form of binding to get this highly desired result which makes it a pleasure to work with the catalogue.

More than 600 pages of copy were prepared by Clara Beilman, for the printer to work from. This all on large 8½x14 inch sheets of paper. The copy was prepared by cutting the last year's catalog into single columns and pasting on these large sheets, then adding the marks for change of price and pasting on pictures of the new stamps that were to be added. Some of these sheets of copy were almost Chinese puzzles to straighten out and arrange in proper order, in some cases, a single column of printed copy stretched out into a couple of full pages because of the large number of pictures that have been added.

The previous edition of the catalogue contained 288 pages. The actual weight of the metal in the forms from which it was printed was around one ton. This new catalog contains exactly 96 more pages, or 384 pages and about one and one-half tons of metal.

The old catalog contained 647 illustrations of surcharges, the new one has 759 such illustrations, an increase of 112. The old book had only 260 illustrations of stamps while this new one has 1750 such illustrations, an increase of 1490. Including both surcharge illustrations and stamp pictures, the old catalog contained 907 while the new one contains 2509 with an extra 101 illustrations of watermarks. These watermark illustrations were all drawn by our staff artist who makes most of the drawings for the pictorial envelopes which are issued by Linprint.

All in all, this new 1940 KenMore Katalog is one that every collector of the stamps which it features, should obtain a copy. It is a real catalog in every sense of the word and the best guide to actual value, obtainable.

Linprint feels justly proud of its work in producing this catalogue. Perhaps few printing plants in America could have handled this book so well as we did because of the lack of men in the average plant who knew anything about stamps.

We venture to say that the necessary time given to the preparation of copy, the arrangement and sorting of the cuts, the placing of same in their proper

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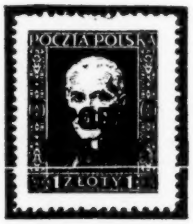
places and the arrangement and makeup of the actual page forms was much less in our plant than it would have been in almost any other plant which might have done the work.

There may be some errors, there may be some points where matters might have been a bit better arranged, but on the whole, we are well pleased with our part of this great work and unhesitatingly recommend the catalog to every collector who is interested in the stamps which it embraces.

Polish Office In Danzig Scene Of Battle

The Polish post office in Danzig, which since 1925 has used Polish stamps overprinted "PORT GDANSK" as illustrated, closed its postal history, at least temporarily, on September 5 when its 70 defenders were overcome by German artillery and Danzig police. When the undeclared war between Poland and



Germany started, postal officials and other Polish personnel in the Free City barricaded the red stone office and resisted with machine guns all attempts of Danzig police to take over the office. On Sept. 5 light artillery was brought up by the Danzigers and turned on the building, forcing an entrance and resulting in the death or capture of all the defenders.

This was Poland's only foreign post office, established in the Free City as a result of the Treaty of Versailles. The office was peculiar in that it competed with the Free City's own post office only on mails addressed to points within Danzig or Poland. The PORT GDANSK stamps were not valid on mail addressed elsewhere and the stamps of the two offices could not be used together on the same piece of mail. On account of the limited use of the stamps and the fact that most Polish business was transacted through Gydnia, these stamps are seldom seen used.

• A proposed design for Japan's new regular issue was one featuring chickens, to publicize this Japanese industry. Buddha was finally selected.

• The Mexican postal service has sold by weight all the stamps on unclaimed mail, after being washed from the paper.

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History Repeats Itself

A Czech stamp of 1934 depicts a scene now being repeated, the formation of a Czech Legion in France, the 1 koruny illustrated. It shows the enrollment on October 12, 1914, in the southern French city of Bayonne, of a

Czech battalion in the French Army. The banner bearing the Bohemian Lion was carried throughout the war, its bearer once being blown to pieces by a shell and following the war it was placed, badly torn, in the Prague war museum. News dispatches of Sept. 6, stated that ex-President Eduard Benes, of Czechoslovakia had declared that all Czechs and Slovaks were at war with Germany and that legions were being formed in France to take up again the struggle for independence. A legion in Poland is fighting with the Polish forces. France from Czech refugees is forming a volunteer force just as it did in 1914.

Lafayette Exhibition

The Lafayette (Ind.) Philatelic Society's Third Annual Exhibit, Auction and Bourse will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 22-23-24 at the Faculty Lounge of the Purdue Memorial Union Bldg., West Lafayette, Ind. The exhibit opens at 11 A. M., Friday and closes at 10:30 P. M. each evening except Sunday, when it closes at 5 P. M. Saturday the show opens at 9 A. M., while on Sunday it will open at 1 P. M. The auction will be by written bids only. The banquet at 75c per plate will be in the same building at 6 P. M., Saturday evening. Information and reservations for hotel and banquet should be made to the Secretary, Jesse Stockton, 931 Rochester St., Lafayette.

• Cachet for the Pacific International Livestock Exposition at Portland, Ore., Oct. 7-14 is announced. They will supply envelope and address them to you, if you send stamp to Myron F. McCamley, 2135 N. Alberta St., Portland. No charge is made for the envelope.

• The Medford, Oregon, postmaster placed on display recently at the Chamber of Commerce a million precancelled ½c Franklins. The stamps were supposed to be the largest quantity of ½c stamps ever precancelled in one Oregon order.

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Postal War Was First

Poles and Germans indulged in a postal war prior to the opening of other hostilities. When Germans addressed mails to Polish towns with name of city in German language as "Lemberg" for "Lwow," the Polish post offices returned the letters for better address. Germans then began addressing mails with names in both languages. International postal conventions require that mail be addressed with city names spelled in the official spelling of the country to which mail is addressed.

FIRST DAY CALENDAR

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44	.02	213	.39	284	.16	380	.32	Pair	.35	529	.01	716	.01
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73	.29	219	.01	289	.69	394	.33	453	.03	571	.03	725	.01
88	.10	219d	.01	290	.32	Pair	.67	Pair	.15	572	.11	726	.01
90	1.65	221	.09	295	.01	396	.22	457	.34	601	.02	727	.01
92	1.39	222	.01	296	.18	Pair	.47	Pair	.79	613	.03	728	.01
93	.47	223	.02	298	.89	397	.02	462	.03	614	.04	729	.01
94	.05	224	.24	299	.48	398	.01	463	.02	615	.04	730	.01
98	1.79	225	.07	300	.01	399	.28	464	.47	616	.59	731	.02
112	1.35	226	.01	301	.01	400	.23	465	.06	618	.12	732	.01
113	.39	227	.47	302	.06	400a	.24	466	.09	619	.38	733	.03
114	.05	228	.42	303	.01	401	.08	468	.18	627	.01	734	.02
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117	.95	231	.01	305	.07	403	.33	470	.22	629	.04	736	.01
136	.11	232	.24	306	.03	404	.98	472	.06	643	.03	737	.01
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146	.05	234	.09	308	.29	408	.03	476	.37	645	.02	740	.01
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156	.03	246	.07	319a	.02	411	.05	490	.01	650	.09	742	.01
157	.11	247	.03	323	.11	412	.05	493	.02	651	.03	743	.02
162	.94	248	.09	324	.02	413	.02	495	.05	657	.02	744	.02
163	.85	249	.02	326	.60	414	.03	496	.03	680	.04	745	.03
165	.89	254	.03	327	.89	415	.24	501	.01	681	.02	746	.03
166	3.35	256	.19	328	.09	416	.01	503	.01	682	.02	747	.04
178	.05	258	.09	329	.03	417	.06	504	.01	688	.04	748	.03
179	.24	259	.79	330	.79	418	.04	506	.01	689	.03	749	.03
182	.02	260	.88	333	.14	420	.24	507	.02	690	.01	750	.03
183	.02	264	.01	334	.02	426	.06	508	.02	702	.01	751	.01
185	.17	265	.02	335	.04	427	.02	509	.06	703	.03	772	.01
186	.29	268	.02	336	.12	428	.02	510	.01	704	.01	773	.01
187	.34	269	.01	337	.08	429	.04	511	.08	705	.01	774	.01
188	.29	270	.04	338	.02	430	.11	512	.01	706	.01	788	.02
189	.35	271	.12	343	.06	431	.06	512a	.02	707	.01	789	.02
205	.06	272	.02	346	.98	433	.01	513	.18	708	.01	793	.02
206	.01	273	.03	367	.02	434	.11	514	.03	709	.01	794	.02
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In June, 1901, new supplies of stamps of the 3c value were delayed even more than usual in arrival and speculators learning that stocks were very small in the post office, proceeded to buy them up

3 cents

and thereby force the post office to prepare some kind of a provisional. For about two months the 36c stamp so overprinted sufficed, but at end of that time a supply of the 16c was overprinted as no more 36c were on hand. These lasted another month, when again a new printing was made and the 10c was used. Before this ran out, the regular issue reinforcements arrived. The reason the 3c on 10c lasted so well was that the speculators were not among the heavy purchasers as their holdings of the other two had not proved easily turned into a quick profit.

In June, 1902, more provisionals were necessary, but since these were mostly of higher values, 30c and 45c, the limitation of sales to one sheet per person, made even the 2c on 4c last two months or more.

In 1903, one speculator having recovered from the 1901 spree—or possibly having recouped on the 1902 provisionals, learned that the total printing of the new 3c King Edward was only 40,000 stamps. Once again the post office was forced to resort to provisionals when the wily gen-

tleman within two days after the day of issue bought about 25,000 of the total. More were cabled for, but in the meantime his scheme had worked. To meet the need for this value 32,000 of the 15c were overprinted 3c. The postoffice limited the sale to one sheet per person, but nevertheless he secured over 20,000 of the provisional. He had a number of negroes each buy a sheet for him and as a result of his own efforts and those of a few others also wishing to profit, the entire lot was sold out in the one day.

Next 24,000 45c were subjected to the surcharge, but quickly wound up in possession of the speculators. The postal officials were now getting desperate as they had few stamps left to surcharge and the end was almost in sight. With grim determination, 12,000 copies of the 18c were overprinted and sale strictly limited to five copies per person, with a total limit of 400 stamps a day in all sales. This rule seemed to discourage the speculators as they now had about all the provisionals they could handle anyway, and the 3c on 18c lasted until the second printing of the regular 3c arrived. Possibly due to its having been limited in quantity, this stamp proved the best of the three.

Air Mail Protector

Stamp Collecting describes a new invention by a retired naval officer, which if generally used in mail planes will end most of the destruction of mail due to crashes and consequent fires. The device is simply a fire extinguisher which discharges a chemical which immediately cools everything within a varying range to below ignition temperature. This is most valuable on air craft where gas fumes and vapors cause fires during flights and forced landings. The gas will not stain paper. It was recently used during refueling of a trans-Atlantic plane when a gas line broke.

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Canadian Paid Provisional

The Canadian post office of GOODSOIL, about 100 miles west of Prince Albert National Park in northern Saskatchewan, was forced to resort last June to use of a "Paid" marking during a shortage of stamps. Paul Ashton Foster, East Boston, Mass. dealer, writes that a friend sent him a letter on June 20 from this log cabin post office indicating this emergency. In the upper right corner in lieu of stamp is the three-line penned inscription "Paid .03c —No Stamps on hand—6/20/39." and then to the left the regular postmark of the office dated June 21. No other markings are on the cover and it was delivered without postage due.

• One of the rarest of all stamped envelopes will be auctioned in October (war permitting) by H. R. Harmer. It is the 20 kopec black of Finland, issue of 1850, same design as first issue of adhesives. Only one other specimen, in the Finnish Postal Museum, is known.

Cachets and Poster Stamps

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• The dozen Directors of the British South Africa Company were the only honored recipients of a set of proofs mounted on card of the first issue of stamps (1890) for their dominions, since become Rhodesia.

• A large wholesale stock is to be auctioned in September in London, including enormous quantities of many popular pictorials. 25,000 copies of the 1c 1918 of Liberia in mint sheets was one item of the large holdings.

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Editor's Notebook

PHILATELIC GUIDE BOOK

Now that statues, buildings and other varieties of scenery too numerous to detail have been pictured on U. S. stamps and since all of us are more or less afflicted with that common American ailment whose symptoms are the urge to go places and see things: —why not a Philatelic Guide Book? Sort of a Cook's Tour reference book for stamp collectors only? We have guide books for the tourist who will drive many miles for a good meal, and others devoted to hotels, roads and scenery, so why not one devoted to points of philatelic interest? We don't know whether to treat the thought seriously or not, but it does seem to have possibilities.

For instance, hidden away in museums and historical society accumulations innumerable are many things such as proofs and covers. Some of these things would it is true be an affront to stamp collectors due to carelessness resulting in damage and might well send our philatelic tourist indignantly on his way. Most monuments on stamps have a peculiar sameness, but to see them in their natural setting is interesting to most of us, yet it is likely that many a stamp collector on vacation drives unthinking by one of these stone creations depicted on some stamp in his collection. How many for instance have given more than a glance at the Loyalists monument at Hamilton as shown on that 10c Canadian stamp, though it is along a much travelled route? Galleries throughout the land contain paintings used as vignette of stamp designs. Parks and battlefields feature scenes that should be familiar. What of such places as Orangeburg, N. Y., where the famous coil stamps were issued. Or fields where the egg-crate airplanes of another day took off on those pioneer flights whose covers are today so highly prized? The list of eligibles for such a Guide Book seem offhand endless. Probably your neghborhood boasts at least one item.

There is much interest these days in the design of a stamp and the origin of it. Yet we wonder how many collectors have for instance when in Washington paused at the huge bronze door of the capitol to see the original of the design of the 6c Columbian, or noticed the Ericsson Memorial on the banks of the Potomac near by. We recall asking while taking one of the usual tours of the Government Printing Office some years ago of having inquired if the Bureau Print precancel plate making division might be seen and learning that we were the first collector to visit the corner of the huge plant where these stereos were made. Just so are other points of interest forgotten or overlooked by most of us. But then maybe we've treated a jesting matter of a guide book in too serious a manner?

—R. R.

Perfs and Imperfs

IT IS WELL TO REMEMBER THAT thought it is possible (though darn improbable) that someone, someplace, sometime, might have made $20,000 out of gambling in mint U. S.; it's very definitely known that a good many people not only didn't make anything, but have lost plenty.

24 RAILROAD CAMERA FANS went for a tour Labor Day of the traction line between Indianapolis and Terre Haute and selected for the trip one of the company's three cars equipped with a Railway Post Office. The car, a heavy steel passenger interurban contains the regulation 15 foot postal compartment with letter drops on each side. Its appearance on this branch of the Indiana R.R. resulted in a lot of staring by puzzled Hoosiers, but apparently no cover collectors were around as none tried to mail any covers. LINN'S printed a picture of one of these unusual cars last year.

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ANONYMOUS STAMP COLUMNS containing all sorts of allegedly inside dope on follies and foibles of the hobby are thicker than ever. LINN'S are about the only exception in running these. To say that "a certain party on Nassau St. recently ran off with his wife's stamp collection," etc., etc., always struck us as being zero in news content as such stuff can be manufactured out of thin air and those who don't understand will think they just haven't run across the story in their gossiping rounds. (Watch us sizzle on their griddles now!)

APPARENTLY THE A.P.S. IS IRKED by the discovery that a recent fraud obtained membership by writing his own references under assumed names and so it is proposed that in future a prospective member must be known personally to a present member or if he lives in a small town devoid of members, he shall submit his finger prints and photo attested by the local police accompanied by references from property owners of the community! Even that has its loophole, though, as we know of an instance where a chief of police stood back of a local fraud, who was always in hot water but seemed to be a good friend of the chief.

WE HOPE GOVERNOR DICKINSON of Michigan never sees a Goya stamp or next thing will be a tirade against philately for corrupting the morals of the younger generation. Stamp dealers have been called a lot of things, but we haven't yet heard their shops called "dens of iniquity."

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Stamps In The News

Scenes familiar to collectors were headlines during the first week of September. Poland has pictured on its stamps Czestochowa, first large city captured by the Germans; Katowice and Krakow, targets of the first air raids; and Gydnia, the newly created Baltic port at the end of the Corridor. The first issues depict in their designs a Polish cavalryman, the type of soldier with which the republic won its first desparate war in 1920 with Russia and with which it is now waging an even more decisive struggle against the invading Germans. The new Polish merchant marine which added sea post offices to the country's postal system, has been interned, one of these, the "Pilsudski" being also among Polish stamp designs.

Advance Sheets Completed

On September 6 the last group of Advance Sheets of the Scott general catalogue were mailed subscribers. All indications are that dealers will have the book in their hands in advance of the "first day of issue," Sept. 25, so that collectors throughout the country may have it on the same day.

• To conserve foreign exchange and prevent improper use of the funds transmitted by International Reply Coupons, persons in Italy must present their reply letter for affixing of postage at time they present the coupon.

• Arch Cape is a new Oregon fourth-class post office.

• Pedro is a new Virginia post office in Essex County.

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without exception long ago conducted their business in decimal currency as banks and local government were issuing that kind of currency. Consequently after some delay the new series of stamps under preparation in 1934 were changed from sterling to decimal denominations and so issued in 1935. In 1923 the Postage Due stamps had been first issued, in pence denominations, and as *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly* points out the pence Dues stamps are still being issued and used and no decimal values prepared, this observation being occasioned by a recent report of a fresh supply being sent the colony. Just how the pence values are used is not clear, but after many years of two kinds of currency, it is thought they occasion little confusion.

Fono-Post Stamps

Some weeks ago we told of Argentina's experiment with recording messages on phonograph records which are delivered by the postal service to any address. The government, according to the *New York Times* is planning to issue special stamps for these mailings which will pay both postage and costs of recordings. These will probably cause the first addition among classifications in the new Scott Catalogue, requiring a new prefix combination to the number as this service is unlike any other used before.

Bath Advertising Issue

Luxemburg, not to be outdone by other countries advertising their industries and products on stamps, will issue September 3, a special stamp advertising the Mondorf-les-Bains thermal baths. The *Philatelic Trader* says the date coincides with a philatelic exhibition there Sept. 3 to 17. 100,000 copies of the 2 franc stamp in blue will be issued during this period at all Luxemburg offices. Commencing on Sept. 18 the same stamp in red will be issued to replace the current regular issue stamp.

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Claims Russian Currency Listed As Postage Stamps

In an article in the September *American Philatelist,* Vladimir Alexieff states that the Russian stamps of 1915-1919 printed on cardboard were actually money only and never valid for postage. He states the only usage for postage was in violation of regulations which forbid their use as postage stamps and that most cancelled copies were so used by favor. Letters posted with these stamps were supposed to be charged postage due upon delivery. If Mr. Alexieff's statements are accepted by the catalogue publishers, these issues of common stamps will be dropped from catalogues. The reason for refusal to permit use of these for postage was that a lightly cancelled copy could be passed again for money as a soiled specimen, or the cancel could be partially erased, facilitating such fraud.

Correspondence Club Exhibits

The Mispah Correspondence and Exchange Club will hold its second stamp exhibition at Philadelphia, Pa., October 16 to 21, in the lobby of the Liberty Title & Trust Co., 5th St. and Tabor Rd. This club has recently been reorganized and is now under American management. Information on its worldwide activities or the exhibition may be obtained of the Secretary, Frederick Schmidt, 194-43-113th Rd., St. Albans, N. Y. They invite all collectors interested to join them.

• The reason the 50c of the King Edward VII 1903-1908 issue of Canada is valued so much higher than others of this set is because the 50c 1897 Jubilee stamp remained current until 1908.

• Senator James Mead, who has made a number of talks on philately, has a collection of 25,000 varieties; his Washington office walls displaying frames of stamps.

• Belatedly, Paraguay has commemorated the transfer last March of the remains of two national heroes to the National Pantheon with stamps depicting the heroes.

• The *Airpost Journal* illustrates a recently found letter from the designer of the famous 1877 Buffalo Balloon Stamp. From it was learned the total quantity printed (300) and total used (23). Only one flown copy is known to exist, and very few unused.

• Count Ciano, Mussolini's son-in-law, was the first member of the family other than Benito himself to have a stamp issued for him, the recent series of Spain with overprint commemorating his visit to Malaga.

Lowell Annual

The Lowell (Mass.) Stamp Collectors' Club will celebrate its fifth anniversary on Friday, Sept. 29, with an exhibition opening at 2 P. M. in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. An Open House is scheduled for 7 P. M. with a bourse, auction, speaker, and refreshments. The Secretary is Claude A. Wehinger, 99 Ludlam St., Lowell. All interested collectors are invited.

• Ohlman's Sept. 20th auction features a number of lots of Civil War Revenues with extra rows of perfs, a variety occasionally found on most of these issues.

• The new Jugoslavian series with dates 1389-1939 commemorates the disastrous defeat in the fourteenth century of Serbian forces by the Turks, resulting in the decimating of the Christian population.

• A statue of Admiral the Count Mahe de la Bourdonnais has been placed in the Imperial Institute at South Kensington, England. The Admiral is the only person other than English rulers to be shown on Mauritius stamps, though he was governor of the island long before it passed into the hands of the English.

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The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

By RAY SHEPARD — 1529 Duxberry Ave. — COLUMBUS, OHIO

As these notes are being read, the janitor of this column will be starting on his annual tour. Therefore any mail sent to us during the next 10 days will not be answered until our return.

PARAGUAY—Air Post Stamps. Two new sets. First shows an aeroplane over Asuncion and the value is the same, but has been issued in three different colors; the second set is in the design as noted:

3.40P. buff
3.40P. yellow-green
3.40P. indigo
AP12— 3P. red
AP12— 6P. dark blue
AP12—10P. pink

(H. G. Spanton)

CANAL ZONE—Commemorative Air Post Stamps. In honor of the 25th Anniversary of the Opening of the Panama Canal and the 10th Anniversary of Air Mail:

5c. black (Plane above Sosa Hill)
10c. purple (Map)
15c. bistre-brown (Plane and Palm Trees)
25c. deep blue (Clipper Taking Off)
30c. rose-carmine (Clipper above Gaillard Cut)
$1. deep green (Palm Trees and Clipper)

(Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

CURACAO—Postage Due Stamps. Additional values with the perforation 13½x12¾:

12½c. green
15c. green
20c. green
30c. green
50c. green

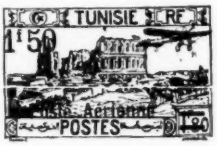
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

DANZIG—Another value on the new Swastika watermarked paper:

A19—50pf. blue & red

(Stamp Collecting)

TUNISIA—Type of 1926. Typographed, unwmkd., perf. 14x13:



A13—2.25fr. ultramarine

(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

SLOVAKIA—Newspaper Stamps. Imperforate. Numeral of value in lower right corner:

5h. blue
10h. red
12h. deep blue
20h. green
50h. brown
1k. gray

(Columbus Postage Stamp Company)

WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS. Revolution Commemoratives. Same as for Cameroons.

ECUADOR—Golden Gate Exposition Issue. Upright rectangular format, engraved, unwmkd., perf. 12½x13:

A154— 2c. blue-green (Dolores Mission)
A154— 5c. rose red
A154—10c. ultramarine
A154—50c. yellow-brown
A154— 1S. black
A154— 2S. purple

(California Collectors Club)

New York World's Fair Issue. Postage set. Upright rectangular format, numeral of value in lower right corner, central design shows Trylon & Perisphere:

2c. olive-green
5c. orange
10c. ultramarine
50c. gray
1S. carmine
2S. sepia

New York World's Fair Issue. Air Mail Set. Upright rectangular format, numerals of value in each lower corner, central design shows a monument which resembles the Empire State Building, surmounted by a pillar of light:

2c. brown
5c. red
10c. steel blue
50c. sage green
1S. orange-brown
2S. violet
3S. gray

(Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

FRANCE—Another value in the current design, to go with those previously noted:

A93—75c. dark red-brown

(L. A. Russell)

FRANCE—Offices in Morocco. New Pictorial Series. All recess printed in Paris. Postage Series. 30c., 40c., 45c., 50c., 60c., 75c., 90c., 1fr. and 1.40fr. are horizontal, rest are vertical rectangular format:

1c. violet (Mosque of Sale)
2c. bright green (Mosque of Sefron)
3c. bright blue (same as 2c.)
5c. olive-green (same as 1c.)
10c. light greenish-yellow (same as 2c.)
15c. olive-green (Cedars in the Atlas)
20c. bistre-black (same as 15c.)
30c. deep blue (Shepherd in the Argassius)
40c. chestnut-red (same as 30c.)
45c. deep green (same as 30c.)
50c. carmine (Ramparts of Sale)
60c. blue-green (same as 50c.)
70c. plum (Gazelles)
75c. blue (Valley of Dades)
90c. red (same as 50c.)
1fr. chestnut-red (same as 15c.)
2fr. deep crimson (same as 75c.)
1.40fr. violet (same as 75c.)
2.50fr. brick-red (same as 1c.)
5fr. deep blue (same as 70c.)
10fr. red (same as 70c.)

Air Post Stamps, to go with above set. 1.90fr., 3fr. and 10fr. are horizontal, rest are upright rectangular format:

30c. deep green (Storks at Old Fez)
1fr. crimson (Storks at Old Fez)
1.90fr. bright blue (Airplane over Map of Morocco)
2fr. deep green (Aerial view of Fez)
2.25fr. deep blue (same as 2fr.)
3fr. sepia (same as 1.90fr.)
5fr. bright violet (same as 30c.)
10fr. blue-green (same as 1.90fr.)

(Stamp Collecting)

FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA—Semi-Postals. Commemorative Air Post, to go with the French Revolution Commemoratives noted previously:

4.50fr. plus 4fr. black & red orange

(R. Roberts)

FRENCH GUIANA—Semi-Postal. Same as for French Equatorial Africa.

5fr. plus 4fr. black & red-orange

(R. Roberts)

FRENCH OCEANICA—Semi-Postal. Same as for French Equatorial Africa.

5fr. plus 4fr. black & red-orange

(R. Roberts)

GUATEMALA—Air Post Souvenir Sheet of 1938, with stamps overprinted, same as the set chronicled by us July 22nd:

1c. yellow-orange, blue & black
2c. lake, orange, blue & black
3c. olive, blue & orange
4c. dark claret, blue, orange & black
5c. greenish blue, blue & red
10c. olive bistre, red & orange

(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

HAITI—Semi-Postal. Issued at end of July, but no details as to designs or colors. First value is for ordinary postage, other two are Air Post stamps:

10c. plus 10c.
60c. plus 40c.
1.25G. plus 60c.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

HATAY—It is reported that the number of sets of the series noted by us August 19th was 50,000, with a larger number of the lower values. Out of these 50,000, 15,000 complete sets have been overprinted "T. C. ilhak tarihi 30.6.1939," to commemorate the annexation to Turkey. 12,000 each additional of the 10p., 30p. and 6k., were likewise overprinted.

Besides the 1k. on 4 and the 25 Sant small figures released in June another two values are reported. The 50 Sant on 2K violet was released with smaller figures similar to the 25 Sant, of which 50,000 are reported printed. The 12K rose postage due of Turkey formerly issued as 5K, has been released as 12K. It is reported that a very small supply of this printing was made.

(Benjamin T. Baroody)

INDO-CHINA — Semi-Postals. Same as French Equatorial Africa, but value as noted below:

30c. plus 40c. black & red-orange

(R. Roberts)

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MINT SETS

British Colonials

KenMore's Number		Number in Set	Per Set
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167-184	North Borneo	(18)	19.50
SP31-37	North Borneo	(7)	.65
10- 16	Northern Nigeria	(7)	2.45
27- 35	Northern Nigeria	(8)	1.50
39- 48	Northern Nigeria	(9)	1.85
1- 10	N. Rhodesia ex 8&9	(8)	1.35
D1-4	N. Rhodesia Dues	(4)	.30
38- 46	Nyasaland	(9)	1.50
3- 13	Palestine	(11)	4.70
28- 33	Papua	(6)	3.25
34- 9	Papua	(6)	1.20
41- 7	Papua	(7)	1.60
50- 55	Papua	(6)	1.05
50- 57	Papua	(8)	2.35
94-103	Papua	(10)	1.25
94-109	Papua	(16)	12.50
A2-4	Papua Airs	(3)	.75
72- 9	Patiala	(8)	.70
17- 24	Penrhyn	(8)	1.75
26- 33	Rhodesia	(8)	1.50
43- 7	Rhodesia	(5)	3.50
50- 6	Rhodesia	(7)	1.30
58- 63	Rhodesia	(6)	.95
33- 8	St. Helena	(6)	.90
48- 9	St. Helena	(2)	.30
50- 4	St. Helena	(5)	2.25
56- 8	St. Helena	(3)	.70
71- 2	St. Helena	(2)	1.00
71- 4	St. Helena	(4)	1.40
79- 88	St. Helena	(10)	8.50
79- 86	St. Helena to 1/	(8)	1.50
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101- 5	St. Helena	(5)	1.20
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PRECANCEL STAMP NEWS

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MY VERSION

There have been various and sundry accounts of how doubles in bureau prints occur. To my notion none have been absolutely accurate, and right now I admit my version may not be right either but this is the way I saw it with my own eyes. To begin with the precancelling device is not an integral part of the rotary press but an auxilliary affair that sets down near the floor. That's what it is, nothing more, nothing less. The stamps are printed first and if not precancelled the roll or continuous sheet runs right into the gumming attachment and then thru a set of dryer plates to the rewind. Now if the stamps are precancelled instead of the sheet going directly up to the gumming machine it goes out to the precancelling machine then back up to a roll and then into the gumming machine and the rest of the procedure as in regular stamps. The roll is the villian to my notion that causes the so called double prints. The gentleman that showed us about the department said they use a very quick drying ink in the precancelling process as it has but about thirty inches to travel and get dry till it hits the roll face. Of the thousands of times the many different precancelling presses are used it is quite plausible that sometime the ink does not dry fast enough and offsets on the tension roll which is steel and is transferred to the following stamps. This would keep up till the ink became dry and until the offset impression was exhausted. Am I right or not?

EXHIBIT HIGHLIGHTS

Nice collection of Kansas and Nebraska overprints precancelled.—Glen Allen Stars in both red and black.—Nice page of the Waterbury clockwheel types. —Commems. Bloomington, Ill., Mothers Day nor. and invt., Sesqui, from Birmingham and Schenectady. 5c Lexington Bristol, Tenn., U-53, 3c Byrd Corvallis Oreg. A favor and an import but a novelty nevertheless. Aeronautics 2c and 5c from Greenville, Ill., in U-8. Complete set Pan-Americans from Federalsburg, Md. 5c Red error from Duluth, Minn., U-1. This stamp also exists at Minneapolis in type 22.—A couple not in the exhibit. A Chicago B-1 with a U-1 over it. Evidently this happened like the Detroit coils. A $1 Cincinnati U-8 triple, 2 up, one across.

NOTES

Some nice 4½c Presidential city types. Danville, Ill., U-1, New Haven, Conn., U-12, Harrisburg, Pa., in usual electro, Springfield, Mass., U-121.—6c Schenectady, N. Y., U-3.—Mr. E. B. H. The 7c Grand Rapids invert in three lines between double lines is a very common stamp. The Double Line catalog prices it at 2c.—Pittsburgh has used both its double line plates on the Presidentials. I have copies of the ½c reading down which would be from the plate made for the horizontal values of the previous issue, and I have copies on the 1c normal which is the regular plate.—6 Pres. from West Springfield, Mass., in U-15 in three lines.

Chicago Precancel Stampede

This year the Chicago Precancel Club is holding its annual stampede in connection with the annual stamp show of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15 at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill. The club urges all precancel collectors to attend as the next precancel gathering in Chicago may not be until in the Fall of 1941. Registration starts at 9 A. M., Oct. 14. Highlights will be entertainment for the ladies, a free bourse, an auction, and a get-together luncheon. Further details may be obtained of Clem J. Boetter, 17 N. State St., Chicago.

Mexican Printing Issue

As the result of a suggestion by J. Michael Brown of Arlington, Va., the Mexican government will issue a series of six stamps, three each for ordinary postage and airmail, to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the introduction of printing to the New World. According to encyclopedias the press was not brought to Mexico until 1544, making the issue rather premature. There will be 300,000 of the stamps issued, commencing this month and they will cease to be valid for postage after three months. Ordinary postage set comprises the 2, 5 and 10 centavos; while the airs will include 40 and 50 centavos and 1 peso. A better printing job is promised according to the Asosiacion de Filatelistas Mexicanos. The series will depict the cover of the first book published in the New World and the printer, Juan Pablos. Another design will feature the Spanish Viceroy of the period, who introduced the press.

• Stephen G. Rich, publisher of the *Precancel Bee,* continues temporarily as Secretary of the S. P. A., by vote of the convention.

• Ravenna and Kent, Ohio, collectors planned their first annual outing for Sept. 17 at Harold Lyon's farm. Forerunner of their joint Open House this winter.

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Pan-American Union Commemoratives

What may be the first of a series of issues by the various Latin-American republics is announced by Honduras in the *Government Gazette.* 100,000 miniature sheets each containing four different stamps will be issued this year to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Pan-American Union. The stamps will be of the denominations of 14, 16, 30 and 40 centavos (about 49c in U. S. currency) and each will picture a different person. The persons portrayed will be George Washington, Simon Bolivar, Francisco Morazan and Jose Cecilio del Valle; the last two being founders of Honduran independence. The stamps will be 23x35mm., printed in five colors each, featuring in addition to the portraits a map of the Americas, the flags of the U. S. and Honduras and the latter country's coat of arms.

The first Pan-American Conference was called at Washington, D. C., on October 2, 1889, having representatives from every republic except the Dominican. It formed an association which resulted in establishment of a bureau of information for compiling and disseminating economic information on the various countries, the bureau later being given the name of the Pan-American Union. The Union's headquarters at Washington, D. C., have been shown on one of the stamps in Guatemala's 1937 Constitution Sesquicentennial souvenir sheet.

Columbus Club Moves

The Columbus (O.) Philatelic Club starting in September commenced meeting at the Chittenden Hotel. This is centrally located at the corner of Spring and High Streets, several blocks from the Union Station and Capitol. Visiting collectors are always welcome at the meetings which are held on first and third Fridays, except when these fall on a holiday. The annual exhibition and bourse will be held at the Chittenden, January 20 and 21 next and committees are already at work. Ralph J. Guda, Bourse Chairman, 157 Piedmont Rd., is accepting bourse reservations now. The exhibition will feature a competitive junior section with entries from all schools in the county. Ray Shepard, 1529 Duxberry Ave., is General Chairman this year.

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BROADWAY CHATTER

BY BISTANDER

The Czechoslovakian Pavilion at the New York World's Fair has just announced that they are now surcharging a third sheet, the Prague Miniature Sheet overprinted "Participation, New York World's Fair 1939." The previous two sheets used were the Bratislava and the Bratislava Newspaper sheet. Because their stocks have been exhausted on the latter two sheets the Prague sheet was pressed into service. The proceeds received from the sale of these surcharged miniature sheets help to maintain the Pavilion at the fair. Scott has definitely announced that these overprinted miniature sheets will not be recognized and therefore will not be listed.

Polish stamps, like Czechoslovakian and Austrian stamps were, are now the aim of speculators due to the present invasion by Germany into Poland. Wholesale prices have in various issues jumped from 50% to over 100%. The market at this moment is completely exhausted, and dealers are frantic trying to get supplies to fill present orders. Whether Polish stamps will be a good investment only time can really predict.

Danzig stamps, as forewarned a few weeks ago, are now scarce items indeed on the market. Speculators are hoarding Danzig stamps as well as Poland stamps and an acute shortage has developed in the New York market.

The new Hitler Reich Party Day stamp arrived here in New York only to be another headache to New Issue dealers. The story concerning this issue is an interesting one. The stamp was placed on sale August 27th. On August 28, the congress which was to be held in the early part of September was cancelled and subsequently the stamp was recalled. Actually the stamp was on sale for one day only. To date approximately 3,000 copies of this stamp were received here in New York, whereas, previous issues were received in the hundred thousand quantities. Because of the present war raging in Europe, additional supplies seem doubtful.

The KenMore Stamp Co., Kenmore, N. Y., suppliers of stamps now on display in the Australian and Southern Rhodesian buildings at the World's Fair, have produced two pamphlets describing the display and the Dominion and Colony. Copies of these pamphlets may be secured either from the pavilions or from the KenMore Company, for return postage.

American Ship On Algiers Issue

The American Export Lines received a free advertisement when Algeria issued its five-stamp series commemorating participation in the New York World's Fair. The design is a three-quarter view from the stern of one of the ships of this line at a dock at Algiers. The company operates a fleet to Near East ports from New York City, supplying freight and limited passenger service. The ship depicted is not identified but all their ships' names begin with the letters "ex," as in "Excalibur," etc. The U. S. flag is prominently shown in the design of the stamp, flying from the ship's stern.

AUCTION CALENDAR

Sept. 19-20—U. S., Foreign. 234th Sale. M. Ohlman, 116L Nassau St., New York City.

Sept. 20—Mail Sale. M. Amiel, P. O. Box 1903, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Sept. 20—8th Mail Sale. C. E. Bocker, Box 173, Geneva, N. Y.

Sept. 20—Fifth Postal History Sale. James R. Arnold, Metuchen, N. J.

Sept. 21—U. S. Mail Sale. Y. Souren Co., 394 Park Ave., New York City.

Sept. 22-23—U. S. and Foreign. Hugh C. Barr, Inc., 38 Park Row, New York City.

Sept. 26—A. P. S. Convention Sale. Eugene Klein, 212 S. 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Sept. 28—U. S., Foreign. L. Kusmierz, 6355 Willette, Detroit, Mich.

Sept. 29—U. S., Foreign. Herman Herst, Jr., 116 Nassau St., New York City.

• Covers with the very rare 1924 Mexican Yucatan provisionals are among unusual items in Ohlman's 234th sale. These stamps were used for a very brief period.

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Commemorative Stamp Facts

By Capt. A. C. Townsend

5c VIRGINA DARE

The news of the coming of this stamp was like "a bolt from the blue," when the regular issue and the 5c Army and 5c Navy were all still in use. The only official information forthcoming was that it "had been ordered from the White House," in both character and denomination as well as color.

Virginia Dare was the first white child of English parentage born in America, her parents being members of the "lost colony" sent out by Sir Walter Raleigh in 1587. There is a record of her baptism on Aug. 20, 1587, but beyond that nothing is known, as the colonists entirely disappeared. Recently it is believed the fate of the colony has been discovered through the finding of an inscribed stone apparently made by Virginia's mother.

The 5c—Virginia Dare—was issued August 18, 1937, in baby blue, flat plate, 1 inch square, perf. 11x11, no wmk. It carries a fanciful picture of the baby Virginia in the arms of her mother, before a cabin, the father standing close by holding a musket.

Manteo, N. C., was the first day city, where 226,730 covers were cancelled. 25,000,000 stamps were ordered from plates 21697-98-99 and 21700. Exactly 25,040,400 copies were issued of this stamp, which in addition to being of a value seldom used by the average letter-writer, was issued in sheets of 48 (6x8).

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• The overprint "MAI—Gt. Pre.—1902" on 1898-99 issues of Haiti is the abbreviated indication of a new government: "Governmente Provisoire—May, 1902."

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NOTES ON U. S. ISSUES

"Postmark" and "cancellation" are two words commonly misused by all of us at least part of the time. Frequently we are asked about certain "cancels" on covers when the marking turns out to be something not actually used as a cancellation. Prior to the Civil War, the postmark and cancellation were two separate things, only by carelessness or in deliberate disobedience to orders being used incorrectly for each other's services. Gradually the two were combined into one marking, but there is still in postal laws the injunction to employees not to place the postmarking portion of the stamping device on the stamp. Some offices, noticeably Railway Post Offices, rigidly obey this regulation. Present day postmarks in the full sense of that word in that they are not intended for use as cancels are the double-ringed dated markings used on registered, money order and insured matter. They occur on mail, but only as postmarks; any other use is a violation. An example of a cancellation would be the double-ringed oval marking, with or without town name, but undated, used solely for cancelling stamps. So it is incorrect to refer to many markings as "cancels", though any cancel can be termed properly a "postmark."

Only one 40c stamp has ever been issued by the Post Office Department. That is the almost forgotten 40c stamped envelope stamp of the series of 1861. No such value has ever been issued in the adhesives.

Theoretically you can buy $1,000 stamps at some U. S. post offices, but if this actually ever happens is doubtful. All post offices of the first and second class must have a stock of internal revenue stamps and so also must all county seat post offices even if there are only third or fourth class offices. Since maximum amount of stamps allowed at any office is $5,000 worth, unless a larger stock is specially authorized it becomes doubtful if any of the $1,000 stamps are ever sold over post office counters. These stamps issued in denominations from 1c up to the "one grand" fellow are required to be affixed to the following instruments: Bonds or Capital stock, all sales or transfers of bonds and stocks, real estate conveyances, deeds, steamship passage tickets and foreign insurance policies. Each post office required to have the stamps must keep no less than $10 face on hand, whether or not there are ever any sales.

A letter can be recalled by the sender of the letter and this is done upon proof being submitted together with statement of reason for desiring return of letter. If the letter has already started on its way, the Postmaster will telegraph other postmasters or railway mail clerks to intercept it and return. This is done, the letter being returned under Penalty Envelope to which postage due stamps are affixed to the amount of the telegrams, but no other charges are made. To make certain the P. O. gets its costs, the applicant for the letter is required to deposit a sum believed sufficient.

We were recently shown a U. S. 1c 1916 and a 5 bit 1905 Danish West Indies used together on piece with dated cancellation of St. Thomas of April 19, 1917. The U. S. stamps had come into use only a few weeks before this date (if that long) and the Danish stamps were not accepted after October 1st of that year. Whether this combination actually paid postage or whether one of the stamps was unnecessary is not known.

If your post office doesn't have the small 1c postcard with Lincoln head design, you can obtain some from Ray Milling, 5710 N. Bernard St., Chicago, Ill. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope and 1c each in coin or commemorative stamps for the cards wanted. In return for his service, it would be fine if you would use commemoratives on your letters to him.

A recent find is being marketed by the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. It was a part sheet of the 1c 1926-27 rotary press printing imperforate horizontally. 43 unused copies in all were found and three used pairs were recovered in addition.

A reader inquires if a first day cover of the 50c 1933 Graf Zeppelin stamp (cover also being carried on the flight that October) is unusual. This was not unusual and the mail from New York had as often as not apparently, the October 2 first day cancel.

A reader recently inquired for the plate numbers of all Electric Eye plates and Dr. H. L. Holzberg, President of the California Collectors Club kindly supplies this information. The following are the plates used on the 2c 1923 design: 21149-50 (first style); 21367-68, 21399, 21402-11-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-37-38-41-42-47-48, 21676-77-78-79-88-89.

2c Presidential with old style markings: 21895-96-97-98.

2c Presidential with new style markings: 21999, 22002, 22156-57-58-59.

3c Presidential with old style markings: 22301-02-55-56-57-58-61-62-63-64.

Plates have been made of other values but are not known to have gone to press yet. Collectors interested should watch the monthly list of plates sent to press.

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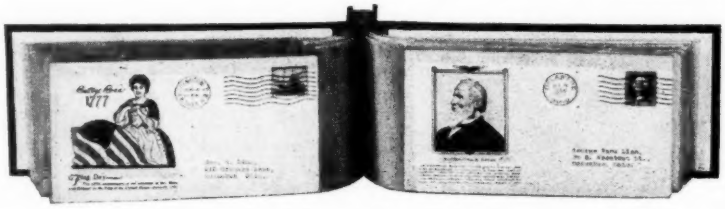

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